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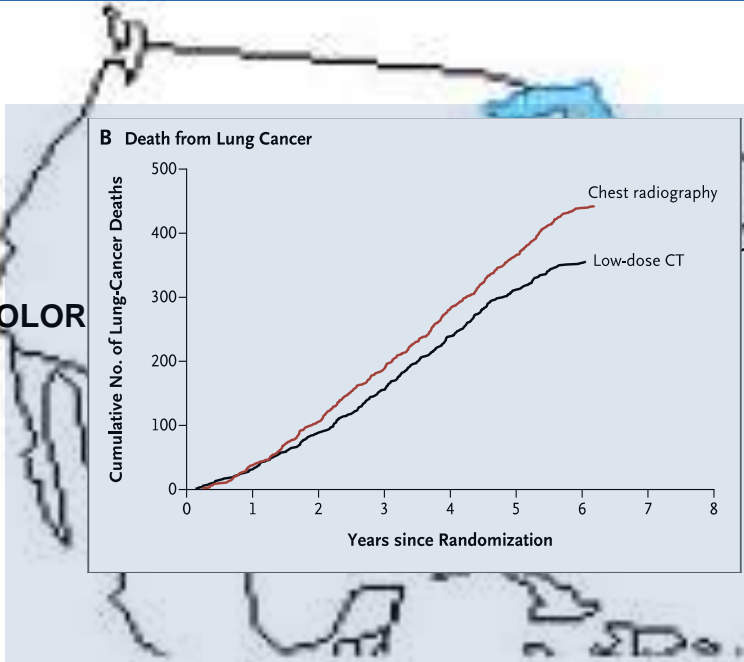
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**Lung cancer screening with low-dose computed tomography (CT):
the ITALUNG-CT study and a demonstration project for lung
cancer's early diagnosis in Tuscany.**

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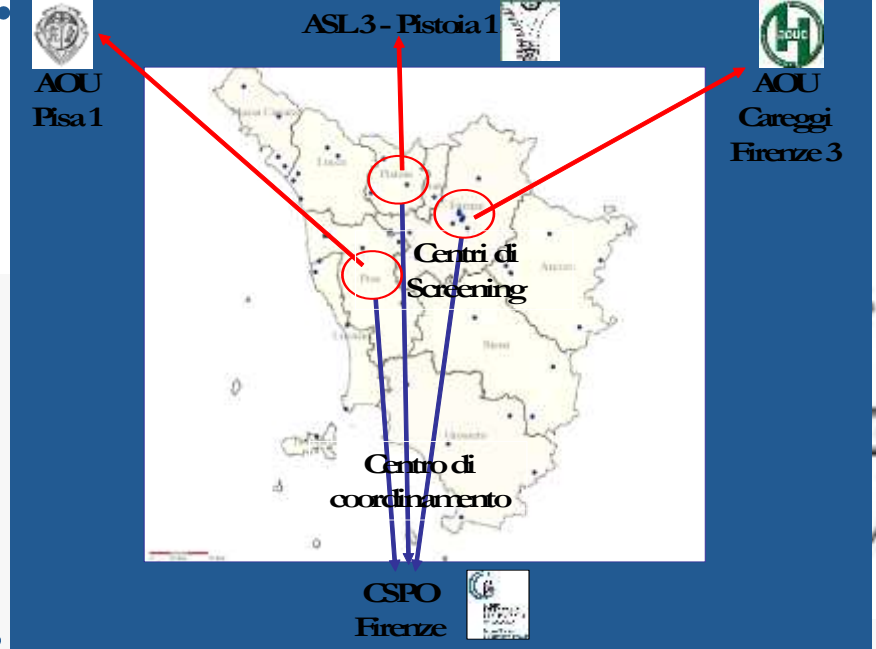
LUNG CANCER SCREENING TRIALS



CONCLUSIONS

Screening with the use of low-dose CT reduces mortality from lung cancer.

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- ° One harm
- * Randomised controlled

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ITALUNG CT Study

PRIMARY OUTCOME

- Lung cancer mortality

STUDY DESIGN

- Multicentre randomised controlled trial with low-dose CT (LDCT) vs usual care.
- Funded by Regional Health Public Authority
- Recruitment: 2004 –2006
- Data collection: 2004- 2009
- LDCT baseline, 1°,2°,3° annual repeat: T0-T1-T2-T3
- Standardised protocol for management of positive CT (nodule's detection)
- Free access to a smoking cessation program
- Follow up 2009-2015 (Tuscany cancer registry, GP, current



ITALUNG-CT: results

	Baseline T0	1° Repeat T1	2° Repeat T2	3° Repeat T3	Total Repeat T1-T3
N. Subjects	1406	1356	1308	1263	3927
Positive LDCT %	30,3	17	16	14	16
N. screen detected Lung cancer	21	5	7	5	17
SCLC (Small Cell Lung Cancer)	2	1			3
N. Interval lung cancer					2
Detection rate (%)	1.49	0.29	0.49	0.35	1.37
Stage I (%)	55.6	60.0	50.0	80.0	61.1
Adenocarcinoma (%)	47.6	25.0	85.7	100	70.5
Surgery (%)	80.9	80.0	100	80.0	88.2



ITALUNG-CT: Bio-markers analyses

Table 3
K-ras and p53 mutations analysis, plasma DNA (cut-off 5 ng DNA/ml plasma), allelic imbalance in subjects at baseline CT Scan,

Biological specimen	Molecular test	Negative at baseline CT, N= 38	Recalled for assessment or follow-up, N= 37	Lung cancer, N= 19
		N (%)		
Sputum	K-ras mutation	1 (2,6%)	0	3 (15,8%)
	P53 mutation	0	0	2 (10,5%)
	Allelic imbalance positive	10 (26,3%)	27 (73,0%)	16 (84,2%)
Plasma	K-ras mutation	0	1 (2,7%)	8 (42,1%)
	P53 mutation	0	0	0
	Plasma DNA with cut-off ≥ 5 ng DNA/ml plasma	10 (26,3%)	11 (29,7%)	14 (73,7%)
	Allelic imbalance positive	5 (13,2%)	4 (10,8%)	11 (57,9%)
Sputum and/or plasma	K-ras mutation	1 (2,6%)	1 (2,7%)	10 (52,6%)
	P53 mutation	0	0	2 (10,5%)
	Allelic imbalance positive	11 (28,9%)	27 (73,0%)	17 (89,5%)

Allelic imbalance, free-circulating plasma DNA quantification and K.ras mutation could be jointly useful to identify, between smokers and ex-smokers, the subjects at major risk for lung cancer.

A multi-screening approach integrating imaging technique and a biomolecular marker panel is worth of further investigation. The use of early biomarkers would integrate the assessment of the individual lung cancer risk.



ITALUNG-CT: smoking cessation intervention

Smoking cessation rates

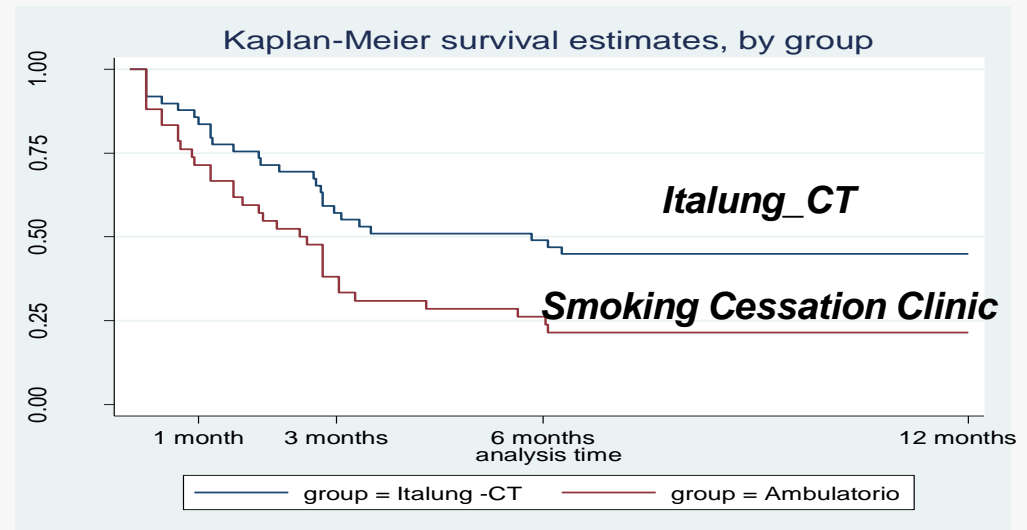
	Active harm	Controls
<i>n</i>	170 (1) / 818 (2)	149 (1) / 894 (2)
%	20.8	16.7

p = .003

(1) = "quitters" (current smokers at T0 >>> abstinent from smoking at T3)

(2) = current smokers at T0

Smoking cessation is a high priority for patients who are currently smoking. Cessation's interventions must be integral part of the screening studies/programs





ITALUNG-CT: assessment of smoking induced emphysema with LDCT

Longitudinal quantitative analysis of the TC detected emphysema during the study:
multivariate regression model

VARIABILI INDIPENDENTI	COEFFICIENTE	P	IC 95%
Età	-0.613	0.007	[-1.061 ; -0.165]
ppFEV1	0.108	0.038	[0.005 ; 0.211]
Sesso maschile	-13.032	0.000	[-17.364 ; -8.699]
Ex Fumatori Persistenti	-12.783	0.000	[-16.969 ; -8.597]
Quitters	-6.269	0.023	[-11.667 ; 0.872]
PY mediana	-2.096	0.270	[-5.819 ; 1.627]

- Smoking cessation seems to be related to a reduction in lung density (inflammation?).
- Assessment of the impact of smoking related damage.
- Early identification of smoking related disorders other than cancer



ITALUNG-CT: perspectives

**International workshop on lung cancer screening randomised trial.
State of the art in Europe after the early stop of the US NLST trial.**

Pisa (Italy), 4th March, 2011



The PISA Position Statement


- The shared opinion of the trial investigators is that **European trials should continue and evaluate the full effect of screening with low-dose CT scan** compared with non-screening (usual care) populations, in terms of **mortality reduction as well as cost/benefit effects.**

- The EUCT investigators consider, while the European trials will continue until the scheduled end, extremely important the launch of **demonstration projects aimed to evaluate essential aspects of the CT Scan lung cancer screening process, multi-centric and coordinated at European level.**

- At individual level, **spontaneous access to CT Scan lung cancer screening should be discouraged at the moment**, considering the available evidence still insufficient to suggest its use outside a controlled, research setting.



Lung cancer screening program in high risk subjects in Tuscany: demonstration project

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- Recruitment by GP and at work health service; standardised web-administered questionnaire for eligibility (smoking, work exposure)
 - Risk assessment in screening centre: questionnaire, lung function, blood/sputum sample.
 - Smoking cessation intervention
 - Enrolment in the screening program: LDCT CAD
 - Centralised double reading by network of the digital imaging
 - Standardised management of positive LDCT: integrated centralised approach (radiologists, pathologists, pulmonary physicians, thoracic surgeons)

Aim is a **Health Technology Assessment project** to produce recommendations for the quality and appropriateness of the possible lung cancer screening.

The basic feature of this **new e-screening** is the **via web integration and sharing of the different professional skills developed within the ITALUNG-CT n 1 study.**

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